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926-900 Light St. (West side)
Baltimore, Md.
Private access

1845-1855

This group of houses located along the west side of the 900 block of Light St. were originally all built as two story plus attic, two bay wide brick houses with gable roofs, much like the houses to the west along Hamburg and Henrietta Streets. Many, however, have since been enlarged to a full three stories in height and now have shed roofs and bracketed cornices. Most currently serve a mixed commercial/residential use. The houses located in the southern half of the block, south of Wheeling St. (916-926 Light St.) were built by John S. Gittings as part of his development of the unit block of Hamburg St.; those houses located to the north of Wheeling St. (900-914 Light St.) were built by a variety of individual owners.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

906 Light St.

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

— VICINITY OF

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT
☒ BUILDING(S)
☐ STRUCTURE
☐ SITE
☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC
☒ PRIVATE
☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED
☐ UNOCCUPIED
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
☒ YES: RESTRICTED
☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED
☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE ☐ MUSEUM
☒ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK
☐ EDUCATIONAL ☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
☐ ENTERTAINMENT ☐ RELIGIOUS
☐ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC
☐ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ MILITARY ☐ OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Records Office Room 601

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Baltimore City Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

STATE

Maryland 21202

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

— FEDERAL — STATE — COUNTY — LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This three story, two bay brick building with gabled roof is one of the few surviving with roof unchanged of the original gable roofed houses built on this site in the late 1840's, and which formed part of a group of such houses extending along this side of Light St. The first floor has been converted into a shop-front.

The house is three stories in height, 15' wide, and occupies a lot 80 1/2' deep. There is a three story high, one bay wide and deep stair hall extension which connects the main house to a two story high, five bay deep rear addition. The house is constructed in running bond. The low-pitched gable roof has a two-tier brick cornice. There is a double rectangular chimney located along the north side of the house, on the rear roof gable.

The second floor window openings have splayed brick lintels; the third floor window openings have no lintels. The sills are wood. All of the window openings are filled with 1/1 double hung sash. The first floor has been converted into a shop-front consisting of a recessed door set in the southernmost bay, flanked by a two-sided projecting plate-glass shop window set on a brick base. A deep cornice extends across the entire store-front area. It is composed of a projecting crown molding and a plain frieze area set above a deep, lower frieze area consisting of four rectangular wooden panels. The entrance is reached by one wide stone step.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW				
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION		
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)		
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION				

SPECIFIC DATES 1851-53 BUILDER/ARCHITECT Milton Webb

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This house is significant as being representative of a large group of three story, gable-roofed houses built in the 1840's and 1850's in the area surrounding the Cross St. Market to serve as combination residences/store-fronts. The first floor area served as a store-front and the family lived on the two floors above. Buildings such as this served the needs of a growing community which was attracting an influx of small shop-keepers to provide goods and services for the local residents. The builder of this house, Milton Webb, operated a grocery at this location in the early 1850's, before moving to a location further north on Light St.¹ Webb seems to have enjoyed a side-line as a small-scale builder--he also built, and then immediately sold, the 2 1/2 story house at 117 E. Montgomery St. (1840).

¹Baltimore City Directory, 1853-54

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

M.E. Hayward / Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Maryland Historical Trust / Struever Bros. & Eccles

STREET & NUMBER

4/79
TELEPHONE

1745 Circle Rd.

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

Ruxton

Maryland 21204

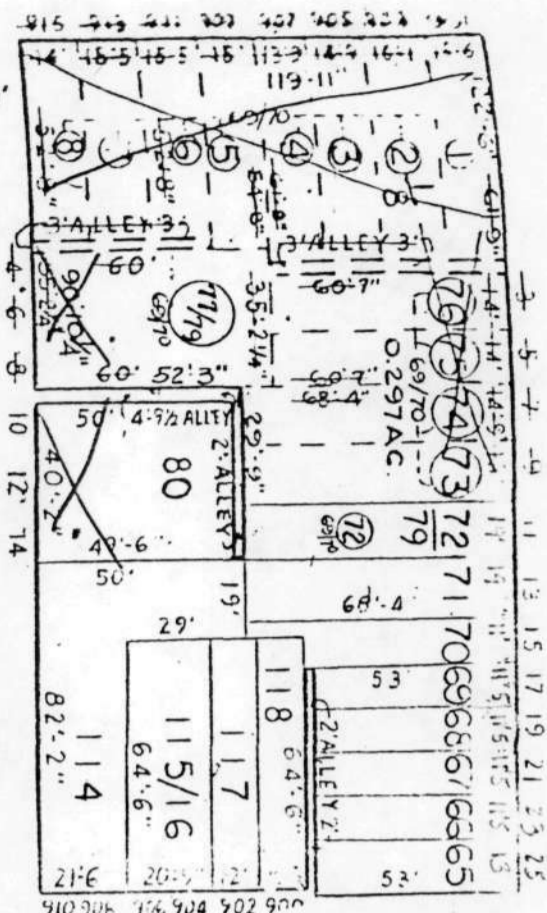
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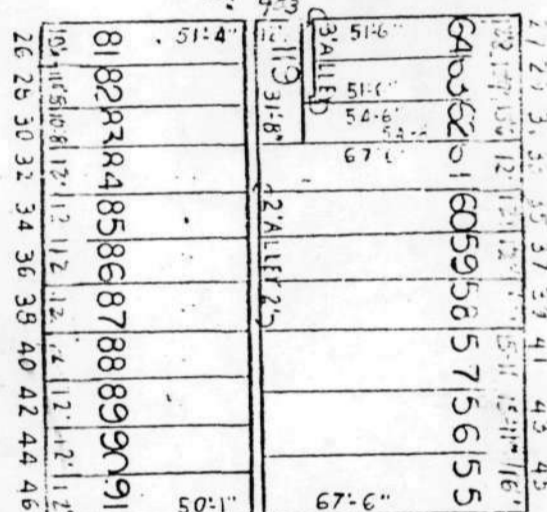
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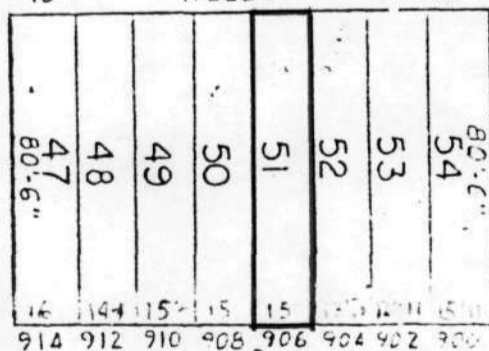
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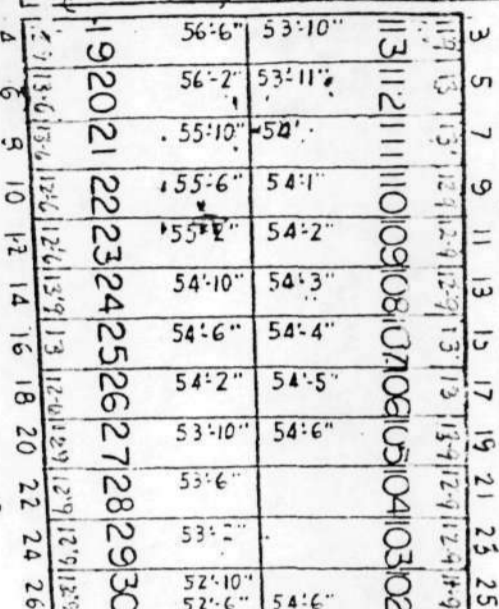
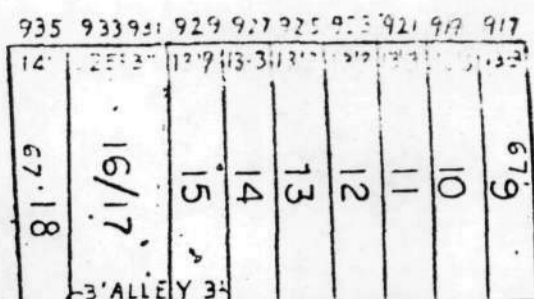


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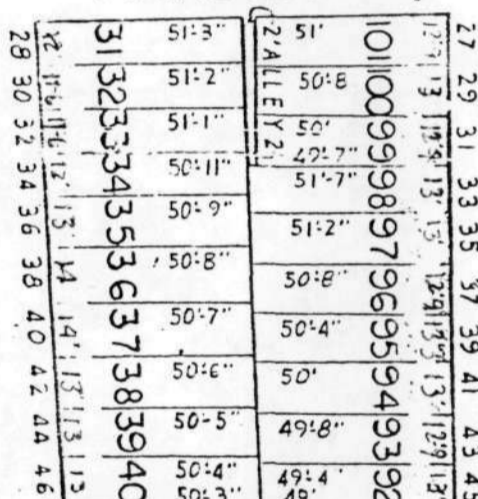
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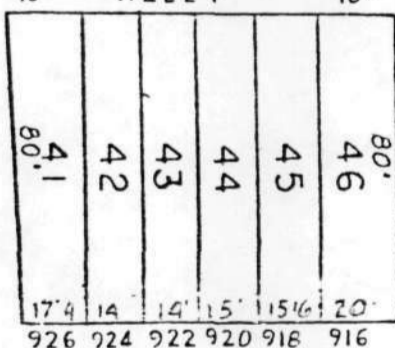
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HARDEN



ALLEY



LIGHT

E. HAMBURG

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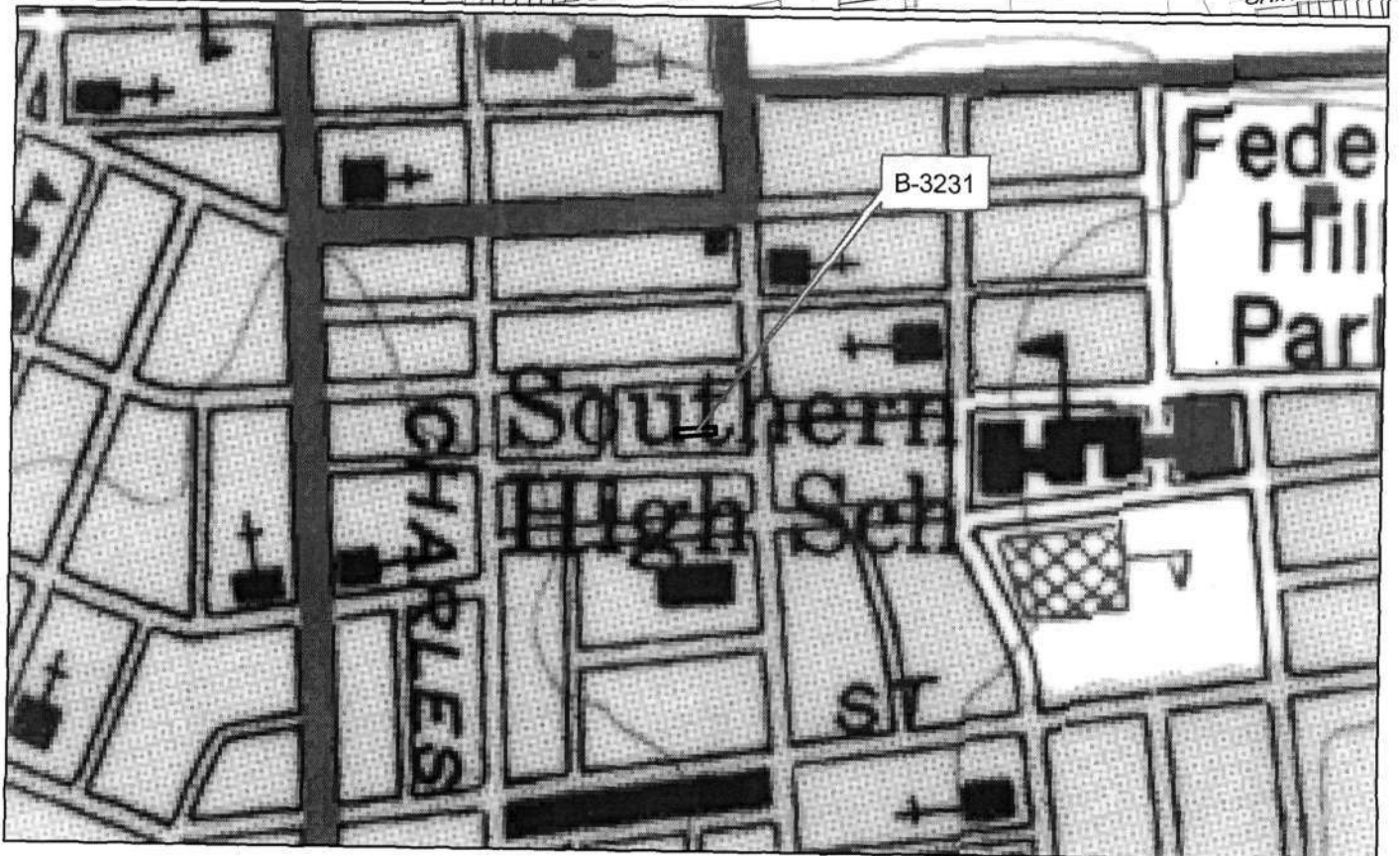
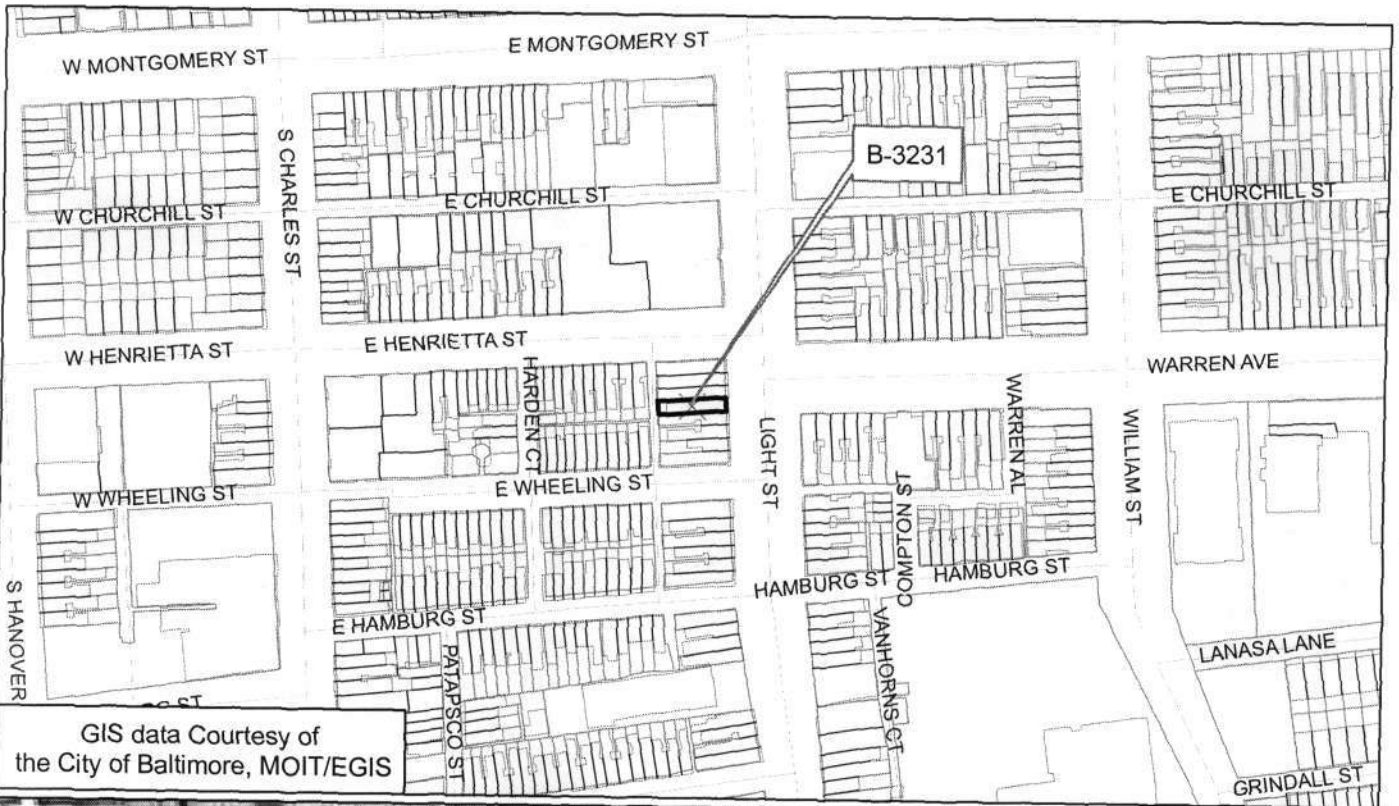
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906 Light Street
Block 0918 Lot 051
Baltimore City
Baltimore East Quad.





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CLEANERS

NO
PARKING
8AM-6PM

VINCENT'S
BARBER
SHOP
LOOK YOUR
CAR

B-3231 906 Light St.

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East elevation